

Land Disturbance Permit Requirements

For the City of Rainbow City, AL

1. All land disturbing activities greater than or equal to 1.0 acre require a land disturbance permit in accordance with Ordinance No. 490 of the City of Rainbow City.
2. A complete application must be filed with the City prior to the commencement of any land disturbing activity. A complete application must include the following at a minimum:
 - a. Name, Address, Telephone number, and email of the applicant
 - b. If the applicant is not the owner: Name, Address, Telephone number, and email of the property owner
 - c. A general description of the construction activity for which coverage is desired.
 - d. A map or plot of the property.
 - e. A Best Management Practices Plan (BMP plan) for construction and post construction.
 - i. The volume and velocity of the post-construction stormwater flow must be equal to or less than, to the maximum extent practicable, the volume and velocity of the pre-construction stormwater flow.
 - ii. The post-construction strategies implemented shall be designed to function during a rainfall with intensity up to that of a 25 year-24 hour storm event.
 - f. Payment of applicable application fee:
 - i. Individual single family residence fee: \$25.00
 - ii. All other applications: \$100.00
3. Application will be approved or disapproved within 14 days of receiving a complete application. If no response is received by the applicant within 30 days of submitting a complete application, the application shall be deemed approved and the applicant may commence the land disturbing activity.
4. If the complete application is submitted and includes a BMP plan certified by a QCP, the land disturbance activity may commence immediately upon submittal.
5. All applications and correspondence required by Ordinance No. 490 to be submitted to the City must be signed by an individual with adequate legal authority to act for or on behalf of the Applicant or Permittee. Any person signing any application, correspondence or other documentation required by this article must make the following certification:
 - a. "I certify, under penalty of law, that this document and any attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision and that I have personally examined, and I am familiar with, the information in this document and any such attachments. Based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe the submitted information is true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and civil penalty."
6. The issuance of a permit shall not excuse the owner from the need to obtain other required state and local permits or licenses.
7. A complete copy of Ordinance No. 490 referenced above is available.